

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – AUGUST 15, 2017**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 a.m. as was duly advertised. All three commissioners were in attendance: President, Larry R. James, Bill Amos and Randy Kleaving. A representative of the *Perry County News* was present. Also attending the meeting was County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Minutes from the July 18, 2017 meeting had been mailed to the Commissioners for their review. Bill made the motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

Agent Pete Franzman appeared before the Commissioner to explain the renewal of the Liability Insurance. He said it is a flat renewal with the overall cost increasing under \$4000.00. It was mostly in the Highway Department with the new equipment that has been purchased. He also said other places were in the Sheriff Department, adding another deputy and increased the auto liability to 5 units. Pete said the rates did not increase, just added inventory.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Pete Franzman, Agent, commented on the Health Insurance. He said it has increased because of a few large claims the County has had. As of now, the aggregate loss is at 88% and would like it to be around 80%. It was asked if we could get the yearly cycle changed so we know where we stand at budget time. Pete said we would have to do a short year first, and this would be hard to switch the date because of the stop loss. A person could use that in the short period and it would start over for them in the next cycle. Need to think about this.

NEW AMBULANCE

Brian Minton, EMS Director, and Tom Hauser, Councilman & EMS, attended the meeting to request for an additional ambulance. The current fleet is:

- 2010 – 191,000 miles engine repaired
- 1997 - 127,000 miles engine repaired
- 2012 - 201,665 miles engine repaired
- 2015 - 52,422 miles
- 2003 - 150,000 miles engine repaired

Brian said they would like to replace medic #5. It has a lot of electrical issues and will need to be rewired.

Brian presented three (3) quotes on ambulances to the Commissioners. They are:

1. **Hoosier Fire Equipment, Inc.:** one (1) Demo 2017 Ford E-450 Gas Chassis 4x2 with a Life Line Emergency Vehicles Type III 167" Aluminum Emergency Medical Vehicle Conversion - \$149,500.00 Extra Equipment (cot, striping, etc..) - \$20,500.00 Total= \$170,000.00
2. **Frazer, Ltd.:** one (1) Frazer Type III 14' Generator Powered Module mounted on a 2017/2018 Ford E-450 Gas 4x2 Reg Cab-100CA w/Steel Wheels plus extra equipment. Total= \$170,900.00
3. **Penn Care, Inc.:** one (1) Braun Chief XL Type III ambulance on a 2017 Ford E-450 Gas - \$161,365.00 Extra Equipment - \$14,300.00 Total= \$175,665.00

At this time, Brian said they have 2 ambulances down with maintenance. He said any trucks going forward will be gas over diesel engines because of past problems.

Randy commented that they kept the budget high in Public Safety because of this. They are trying to get their equipment caught up.

The demo truck from Hoosier Fire Equipment has less than 5000 miles. The plan is to lease the truck only and purchase the cot and striping out of this year's budget approximately \$20,000.00. The Commissioners were presented with a quote from Brian Minton to go with Community Leasing Partners out of Kansas for the financing of the truck only for \$149,500.00. It is a 3 year lease with a 2.94% rate. Auditor Pam Goffinet asked the Commissioners if they want to change the Public Safety-Commissioners budget to put the lease payment in.

Bill made the motion to change the budget to acquire the demo ambulance in the Public Safety-Commissioners budget. Also to go with Community Leasing for 3 years with a 2.94% rate pending approval by Attorney Chris Goffinet that they don't have to bid the financing out and getting preapproval from the Council for the funding next year. Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

UNOFFICIAL DETOURS

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, presented the Commissioners with two unofficial detours from Indiana Department of Transportation. They are:

1. Bridge Deck Overlay on SR 66 over Little Oil Creek, SR 66 closed approximately 45 days. (Etienne Circle to SR 66)

2. Bridge Deck Replacement on SR 66 over Poison Creek, SR 66 closed approximately 120 days. (Gerald Rd back to German Ridge)

Steve is not sure if these will happen this year. Randy made the motion to approve the detours, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0

ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN

Tara Damin with Cash Waggoner presented to the Commissioners the Asset Management Plan that she had been working on with Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell. She said the County can use it as a reference point, it is less technical. It has lots of graphs and charts with an overview of the Community Crossings Grant. She commented that in 2017, INDOT has 2500 applications for the Community Crossings Grant with a 25% match. Approvals will be given out by early fall.

Teresa announced that the next regular meeting of the Commissioners will be on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. The change from Monday to Tuesday was because of Labor Day being the first Monday of the month.

The meeting ended in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes approved this 2nd day of October, 2017.

Larry R. James, President

Randy Kleaving

Bill Amos

*Minutes prepared by:
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